Rec^d Jan 29
Ans Febr 6

Kew - Jan. 3rd. 1851 -

My dear Dr. Engelmann,

Dr. Gray has commissioned me to write to you for him to tell you of the receipt of your last letter & his hope to answer it in full before long - He met with a very serious accident five weeks ago, from which he has now almost recovered, though not yet strong or able to move with his usual activity - After a long & pleasant visit at Pontrilas in Herefordshire, with his friend Mr. Bentham, we were on our way to make Dr. Harvey & his friends a short visit in Dublin, when attempting to cross in the steamboat on reaching Holyhead, Dr. Gray walked down the hatchway, which was opened to receive the luggage - It was quite dark, & there was nothing to warn him of the dangerous neighbourhood - He fell about 18 or 20 feet, & providentially escaped with only 2 broken ribs, but was very much bruised - He was taken on shore at Holyhead, where he was detained a week, & at first suffered very much from lameness & soreness & the bruises, besides the great shock to the system from such a fall. But he has a wonderfully recuperative constitution; in 8 days he was able to be moved over to Dublin, where he rallied very fast under the care of kind friends. Dr. Harvey came over to Holyhead when he heard of the accident, & devoted himself to his care. After a fortnight in Dublin, we were able to travel slowly on to London & now to Kew, where Sir William Hooker had kindly engaged lodgings for us, where we have been some 10 or 12 days. Dr. Gray spends all his daylight in Sir William's Herbarium, & is at present studying Wright's collection. And he wishes you to send him as soon as possible, the Mss. of Portulaceæ & Cactaceæ Wrightianæ.

I am grieved to say that Sir William has not yet recovered from his severe illness last summer, but is still subject to distressing attacks of the spasms in his throat. They hope however a gradual improvement, as they consider the attacks a nervous affection.

Dr. Gray being still feeble & obliged to be very cautious, he has not been able to see London botanical friends as yet. But he hopes in a few weeks to be able to move about again with his old activity, when he hopes to get more money to remit to you, when he can get to the

British Museum, &c — The long delay & loss of time caused by this accident, must be her excuse that you have not yet received anything —

very truly Yours,
Jane L. Gray —

Dr. George Engelmann -
St. Louis
Missouri -

Rec.d Feb.

Ans March 12

Royal Botanic Gardens Kew, 29th Jan.y
1851.

My Dear Engelmann

I got Mrs. Gray some weeks ago to send you a mere line, saying something of my accident, & of my recovery; and that we had got back and just settled here for the rest of the winter and early spring. I am now, I am glad to say comfortably well, tho' my side is weak, except when I wear a belt, and the points of the 2 middle fingers of my right hand are still lame. I am working at Wright plants, & the corresponding collections of Wislizenus, Gregg &c — with which I shall take along Lindheimer's & Fendler's when I get beyond the Compositæ — & making many valuable notes from Hooker's great herbarium. We have lodgings near, & I work in Hooker's house. I have to work at disadvantage at Wright's coll. till I get up to Compositæ — which I have now almost reached. — because this earlier portion of my own set — with memoranda, specimens not distributed &c — was by mistake sent back to Boston from Hereford (Bentham's) so I have to find Hooker's (distributed often in wrong places through his vast herbarium). & study from those.

I should like Fendler to have some fine one of the new genera — (for Bentham thinks your Fendlera is not enough distinct from Maurandia — M. Barclayana having the style nearly persistent to the last — usually on the ripe pod. but not so thickened.)

Of new genera Wright's no 36. (— to you) is a curious one — in Portulacaceæ between Grahamia & Calandrinia with some points resembling Anacampseros What petaloid stigma, hooked seeds and no albumen; endocarp separable from endocarp. =

36. Petalostigma frutescens. nov. gen.

A little plant with silky woolly 5-celled pods from Gregg's 1st. coll. I have made Sericodes Greggii. – n. gen. Zygophylleae

Your Guaiacum angust. I have transferred to Porliera. A little ~~le~~ plant of Gregg's is Peganum Mexicanum. n. sp.

No. 91. Wright. Ochetophila? microphylla. n. sp.
91a " Adolphia infesta, Meisn.
– 92. " Durandia. Wrightii, n. gen. Celastraceae
& Gregg's, no. 200. ~~4~~ – D. — Greggii
635. Wright (also in Gregg's = Peteria ericifolia. nov. gen. Ord. incertae, not Celastraceae
Many new Polygalas
Benth. is to name & charac. the new Leguminosae, & has already done the Mimoseae
2 or 3 new Rutaceae — &c. &c. &c —

– But I wanted to tell you that at length I have got the pay for Pl. Lindh. from Webb & Boissier – of Harvard – deducting commissions – the last I shall probably pay him; for he does little, – & from Fielding direct. – & I am promised that from British Museum, when I can go up to London, I am writing here at Hooker's — while most of my memoranda are at my lodgings — But please draw on John A. Cunningham, Boston ~~f~~ or rather upon the firm Cunningham Brothers — Boston — as before — for the whole amount of the sets yet due — Fielding, Webb. Boissier, British. Museum. &c — I instruct him to honor your draft

I shall try to find purchasers for what is left of Fendl. &c & if I do not, I think of taking them at a reduced price — at whatever you think best — myself & giving them to such continental botanists as I may be indebted to.

Hooker sends his best regards. If you will send him living Cacti, etc — & seeds — &c — and say what he shall pay (from Kew Garden) therefor — he will be glad. But he wants you to send by some speedy way. A former package was a year or two on the way via N. Orleans & all rotten & gone. acorns — from Riehl ? —

Hooker wants Cacti of N. Mex. & Tex. very much.

Sent by Express to New York or Boston to some one who will direct the package

Secretary of the Admiralty
for the Royal Botanic Gardens
Kew
On her Majesty's service —

& they — if put on board the British Mail Steamers — come free across the water.

You can address letters me here — care of

Hooker— for two months yet. I do not hear Hooker inquire a word about Cuscuteae I dare say he is willing you should take your time! — I hear poor Sullivant has lost his wife— Ever Yours A. Gray

Dr. George Engelmann
St. Louis
Missouri

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Rec^d May 15^th
Ans July 29

Kew. April 16. 1851

My Dear Engelmann.

I have yours of the 12^d March— This week came all three boxes from N. Orleans: 2 for me, one for Hooker.

Hooker takes set no. 1. of Fendler's Panama pl. I take no 4 & no 5 (for Bentham). I am offering the others down to no. 11. to various persons.— The rest, with the small sets Fendl. N. Mex. & Lindheimer's I shall put, at Hooker's advice, into Stevens hands for sale. But I fear it will be difficult to sell these small sets. I tell him he must sell them at some price.

I was not aware that Heward has any unappropriated sets of Lindheimer's. I have written to ask him about it. Of his Fendler's, he said he had one almost engaged. I shall take one to Paris, next week— to propitiate the Garden of Plants with also a ~~Fen~~ Lindheimer, if any is left. And on my return from Paris— in early June, I will take 2 more, if not sold by then.

What am I to do with the Mexico-Mazatlan collection of Gregg you send? I have no time to study it here. I work incessantly but am far behindhand with my E. Exped. collections. I fear I shall not have time to continue the study of

Texan & New Mexican collections beyond the Compositae while here. It would be desirable. But it takes very much time. Send no more parcels here. I shall leave here for home in August, & can only study plants casually in July — perhaps I shall have a week or two more with Bentham.

Linum rigidum here — specimens from Richards. Drummond 3 Tx — have just the pod you ascribe to L. puberulum. The latter is marked by Planchon a pubescent var. of L. rigidum. Surely it is not a species! Planchon multiplies species quite enough.

I now see that I can print nothing till I get home, when I will print off Pl. Wrightianae up to end of Compositae at once. I have a great body of notes. Dr. Hooker is home — well & hearty. Sir Wm would wish to be remembered if he knew I was writing. He is to pay me for the Fendler & [illegible] coll. he has. —

My wife sends her best regards to you.

Yours very cordially

Asa Gray

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Recd Aug 28th
Ans Sept 18th

Paris, May 6th 1851

Dear Engelmann

I got to-day your letter of April 9th. We have been here over a week, and mean to be back at Kew 4 weeks hence — I wrote to you, I think, just before we left England — announcing the safe arrival of the boxes to Brown Shipley &c —

I have paid charges on boxes £1.10. Carriage on parcels sent 2/-

I have already received for Set no. 1 of Fendl. Chagres pl.

	from Hooker —	£9.13.6.
no. 4	– self (I sell them at £2. per hundred & pay charges)	5.16.0
" 5	; for Bentham —	4.15.5.
6.	Trin. Coll. Dublin —	4.8.0
7	Nill. —	4.0.10
8	Dr. Alexander —	3.16.8

no. 9 has gone to Fielding
10 & 11 are offered to Shuttleworth & Boissier.

From Heward, I have recd- for Taylor's set Pl. Fendl. & one taken by Gourlie — £10.18.6. (Heward's commission deducted)

I take myself & have given to Herb. Mus. Paris, a Fendl. N. Mex. of 229 species, & a

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Lindh. Tex. no. 40. — I shall send you
a regular account when all is through.

Steward has ~~[illegible]~~ no Lindh. Tex. Pl. on
hand — & only 2 of Fendl. N. Mex., —
which if not sold when I get back
to London I shall take for my corres-
pondents.

S. Stevens has in his hands the
colls you sent in box to Brown &
Shipley, — except the numbered
Fendl. Chagres — which I have
disposed of as above — viz. no 1, 4—11.

I am at work at Ex. Pl. and
with Compositae at Jardin des Plantes.
Trecul is away for a few days.
When he returns I am to look over
with him his Texan collection. In
it I saw & took specimens of the
Passiflora you speak of. Trecul says
it is P. foetida & P. gossypiifolia. — Also
a Melothria — he said was new and
hermaphrodite. — your M. chlorocarpa?

Trecul knows little of systematic
Botany. Your Acanthoceltis I
know very well. It is a Celtis § Sponia

I believe, & is probably described by Planchon in his Monogr. (Ann. Sci. Nat.): but I have not yet looked to see. What I had called *Peteria* turns out to be a new Schaefferia — a genus wrongly placed & described, in some respects.

Your *Dipterandra* is in Wright's coll.: distributed only to Benth. Hooker & Lowell, & given to Sprague to figure. I had called it — —

. It is very curious.

~~The~~ Wright got better flower specim: but a scanty supply. Lindheimer's & your sketch will help in making out the details. Not having a regular number & my specimens being with Sprague to figure, I omitted speaking of it to you in my hasty report. I found, I believe, a rather larger embryo.

Robt. Brown told me that Link would be succeeded in his (excellent & lucrative) professorship either by Grisebach

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or by our excellent friend Braun. — Since I have been here, a young man from Berlin says that the choice has fallen on Braun — to my great joy. For I love Braun very much. I have given Lowell (who leaves Paris to-day, & will be in Germany in June & July) a letter to Braun — addressed to Giessen or Berlin.

My wife is pretty well — & I (all but a cold, caught in the herb. gen. at the Jardin des Plantes) am in high health.

Prince Paul's sensitive branches of Mimosa, catching unwary travellers is rich!

Adieu — Yours ever
A. Gray

Dr. Geo. Engelmann
St. Louis
Missouri

Recd Sept 18th
Ans same day

Boston, 8th Sept. 1851

My Dear Engelmann

I am glad to tell you that we have got home. We arrived Thursday afternoon. But went directly down to Beverly, on the sea-shore to my father-in-law. — In the night, my wife — who had eaten fruit freely was taken with a sort of Cholera Morbus — I could not well leave her next day, so I only came to Cambridge Saturday & opened all parcels that had arrived &c.

— Did I tell you that the package you notified me of last spring, as sent via Boston — to be opened at Cambridge — seeds taken out & then forwarded to Hooker — had not arrived in England at the time I left. — nor has Cunningham at any time written to me any thing

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about it. I supposed that I might find it lying at Cambridge, but I find it not there.

In the course of the day I hope to see Cunningham, and to ask him about it. — how, if it did not arrive he did not make the needful enquiries &c from you.

The things I sent from Paris are by this time in New York, I take. The bulk of things from London are coming in the Ship Daniel Webster – from Liverpool – due in a fortnight. – Some I brought with me. A parcel from Munich contains a small parcel for you from Braun – put up a year ago.

I shall have considerable money to pay you, as soon as I can get my papers together to see what, I will write you.

Before your last letter came

x enclosing an account with Hooker. Hooker had paid me $47.00 — for the Fendler Chagres plants. — On laying the account before him he said he thought some of the ~~ites~~ parcels of seed had already been paid for — & afterwards said he had a memorandum which seemed to cover them — except what had not yet arrived — I was to see about it. I had no doubt he was mistaken — but could not tell him so. — nor did I like to ask him about it afterwards, until he should refer to the subject — which he never did. He is ~~overwhelmed~~ overwhelmed with business & apt to forget. — But is always ready to do what is right. —

I hope to get my luggage out to Cambridge to-day — sleep there to-night — & unpack boxes brought home. &c. — Mrs. Gray is well

again & much improved in health & will be with me at Cambridge to-day.
Can you never leave St. Louis & be our guest here? We should be charmed to see you - & Madame E. with you. In haste Yours ever faithfully

Asa Gray

I am as well & hearty as it is possible to be.

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Rec^d Sept 21
Ans Octob 10

de Candolle ? [illegible]

Cambridge, Sept. 10. 1857

Dear Engelmann,

I write at once to inform you that the box from you was received ~~from~~ by Cunningham, the seeds for us taken out — & the box lay in his counting house by neglect of one of his clerks" 4 weeks, or more — (I, not written to at all) & was at length forwarded to the Secretary of the Admiralty, on the 20th August !!! It came to hand there, at Kew, just about

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the time that we reached
Boston

It is a great pity, that
having kept back the box
so shamefully long, he did
not keep it a little longer
till I got home — & take
out the plants destined for
me. I am greatly
bothered with boxes from
Paris & from Switzerland.
No one follows orders as
given — but all do some-
thing in unexpected ways &
put you out & worry you.

My Paris things — books
& plants — of much value —

have however arrived at New York, and I shall soon have them.

What shall I do with the ~~numerous~~ great parcels of Gregg's Plants you sent on to England, I had little or no time to look at them, & left the acacias with Bentham (I think). They are on the way homeward with my things (10 great boxes) & will be here in 2 weeks.

The first thing for the Printer is Plantæ Wrightianæ up to the end of Compositæ. Wright. You know is now with Col. Graham, on the Boundary

Believe me to remain
Dear E.
Ever Yours
A. Gray

Rec^d Octob 8th
Ans Octb 10

Cambridge. Sept. 27. 1857

My Dear Dr. Engelmann.

You do not write me yet — but I think it is time for you to have received my two letters from Cambridge and for an answer to get back here. I dare say I shall soon hear from you.

Meanwhile I have been securing and copying out such memoranda of account as I now have. which please notice on opposite page —

I have not yet got my account rendered from Mr. Cunningham, but if I remember you have drawn on him only once, and for $100 only — In which case I must have in my hands for you £ 259.$\frac{71}{100}$ — Let me know if there is any thing left out, or wrong. and draw on me for balance, or tell me how I may remit to you or deposit to your credit in Boston or New York.

Both Heward & Stevens must now have something for you — only a little I fear, at present, and something more is to come from Hooker. — at least for plants & seeds sent last spring, & which he has now got.

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I find I have got here nos. 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, of Pl. Lindheimer. (1835-8) I had forgotten they were here. I'll enquire for purchasers; & if I find none, I hope I may take 2 or 3 of them; — or send to Stevens, if he gets any demand.

I am sadly afraid I have lost a most important part of my own set of Wright's collection. — ~~I fear~~ They disappeared at Bentham's — Perhaps they will get them up.

I have heard from Wright at El Paso — and you have also, I presume, at the same time.

In haste, Yours ever

A. Gray

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Gray Octob 16th 1850

There yet remains to come from

29 Jan 1851	- 3 British Museum.		7.	10	£ 36
	17 G. W. Taylor	(Commission	~~6~~	~~05~~	30
	- 4 Webb	to be deducted)	7	10	
	- 2 Fielding		7	10	
Boissier			28	10	

(corrected to be 28.15) ~~5~~ ~~8~~

Gray, Sept 27th 1851:

~~Proceeds in my hands Oct 16th 1850 21. 00 00~~

84/47 10 | 9.73
43 50
35 40
33 88 Chagres.
15 20

Chagres	1	47 10
	4	29
Fendl	5	23. 80
	6	21 90
	7	20 20
	8	19 20
	No 9	18 40
	$	179.60

Sta Fe	23. ½	11 45
	24. ½	10 11
		21 56

Lindheimer	40.	15. 75
	17	30
	3	36
	32	25
		106 75

Lindh.	set 2	36.	Feb. 51
	" 3	36	Oct "
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	30	3.5	Feb "
	17	30	Oct "
	32	25	Oct "
	40	15.75	Oct.
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Fendl Chagres 1.4-9 =	166.00	179 60
St Fe	21 50	45.00
Lindh: 171.81 - 100	71 81	
	259 31	
due to Lindheimer 35	2/3 15	
for Boissier 206.81	15 75	213.75

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Letter to A Gray Octob 10 185[illegible]

In your letter of Octob 16 1850 to which you refer you have it:

3.	British Mus.	7.10
17.	G W Taylor	6 05
4.	Webb	7 10
2.	Fielding	7 10
		£ 28.10

In your last letter you say.

Proceeds in my hands as per Advise Octob 16 1850
£ 21. 00

for set of N Mex Pl. to Taylor 6.17
I suppose Gombier 5 6
12 3
Commission off 1 4 6 10.18.6

~~In your letter 29 Jan 1851 you say the Boissier paid you; his set (No 30) valued at $ 35~~

These last 2 items mean no doubt Lindh. Plants — and Taylors 6 17 here and 6 05 above are probably the same — less the commission already deducted —

~~No remarks to make about Chagres plants;~~

~~Fendler makes the~~ ~~I suppose all right~~

In your ~~last~~ letter of Jan 29, 1851 you say the Boissier paid you; his set No 30 was valued at $ 35 which I believe you have not accounted for in your account.

Chagres plants Correct.

Received for Fendler Chagres	$ 166 00	
for - - - St Fe	21.50	
for Lindheimer	171.81	+ 35 = 206.81
	$ 359.31	
due Lindh.	- 35 ~~35~~	

Dr. Geo: Engelmann

Corner of Elm & 5th Street

Dr. Gray to Dr. Engelmann Dr

Oct. 16. 1850 – Proceeds in my hand, as per advices at that time. say —— £ 21. 00. 00

In 1857, in England. Received from Heward –

For set Lindh. N. Mex. Pl. to G. Watson Taylor £ 6. 17.
" " " " Goodie (Glasgow) 5. 6.
£ 12. 3
Less Heward's Commission — 1. 4. 6 = 10. 18. 6

For Lindh. Chagres Plants –
Taken by me, sets 4 & 5. — . 10. 11. 6
" by Harvey (no. 6) —— 4. 8. 0
" Hooker = $ 47. — = 9. 13. 6
" Dr Alexander —— 3. 10. 8
" P. B. Webb —— 4. 0. 10
" Fielding — 3. 14. 02
£ 68. 2. 8
Deduct charges (freight &c. paid at Kew) 1. 12. 0
£ 66. 10. 8

= at $ 4.84 pr. £ —— $ 322. 00

Due for Lindheimer's N. Mex. pl. I took for Paris. 229 species, at $5. —— 11. 45
" " 222 " I gave DeVriese, Leyden 10. 11
" " Lindheimer's Tex. coll. I took for Paris, no. 40. 15. 75
$ 359. 31

Dr. Engelmann has received –
pr. Draft on Cunningham – $ 100. 00.

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Recd Nov 2d
Ans Nov 3d

Cambridge, 21st Oct. 1851.

My Dear Engelmann.

Yours of the 10th Oct. reached me yester=
day, and I hasten to write, first about the accounts,

I think a later letter of mine was written. & must
have reached you after Oct. 10. in which I state
that I find that Lindheimer sets no. 30, 31, 33,
34, 35 are here with me. So that 30 cannot
be the one Brisner had. (What became of 32?)

I note what you write from my letter of 2nd.
29th. that I say Brisner has paid me. — and I have
some dim recollection that Heward — thro. whom it must have
come — said or paid something. — & surely he must have
had a Lindheimer — I should think. — But I can
find no memorandum about it at all. Let me
know what set other than 30. 31, 33, 34, 35 is not accounted
for, and I will pay over to you the amount of that, sure
that it will be right. Or, I will also try to
learn from Heward what he received from Brisner & paid
to me.

Meanwhile as to the rest of the account, we seem to agree
— making the amount due you $359. 31 — from which
we have deducted your draft on Cunningham for 100. 00
259. 31. — for which you
have drawn. But, now Cunningham has rendered me
his account, & I find, besides your draft, above, of the 25th March, last,
Cunningham has charged me with one paid Dec. 2, 1850 for 170. 00 — which reduces
the balance due you to $ 89.31 — This I will
pay

at once to the holder of your draft & take a receipt for it. – and you will tell me in your next whether this $170 – is correct. – and also what set of Lindheimer is unaccounted for, that I may pay that to Kinmin's correspondent here.

I have here Fendl. N. Mex., a set marked $19.00 –
It must therefore be set no. 29. –
Also one of the late thin sets – marked 77 species (brought back from England) I think no 22 & 25, are not here.

Stevens, London, has Lindheimer. no. 39, 315 species.
" " Pl. Fendl. N. Mex 13 parcels – the largest 80 – the smallest 48 species.
" " Pl. Fendl. Chagres 14 sets, the largest 149 species.

I will soon apply to Stevens to see what he has done.

Answer Nov 3d $170 yet due 3
Pl. L. 30. 31. 33. 34. 35. 39 yet in Grays hand or in England.
Fendler set 22 & 25 & 61 – 74

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The seeds to Cambridge Garden this year have
done very moderately — (I being away)
Some live plants came here from Texas last (June ~~Spring~~)
They did not know who they were from — no ad=
vices — all dead except some cacti —
Always bad luck with live plants from Texas.

Hooker writes me — Oct. 1. "The box from Engelmann
arrived soon after you went away. & I had it sent to W. &
Putnam! — that is the parcel marked for you, & a letter
that came for you" [Why did he not send the letter
by mail — I wanted the flowers of the new Saxifragous
genus much — as I am figuring it, and am very scant.]
"I suppose I owe you for plants & seeds addressed to
" me. Kindly let me know. Only bear in mind that
" seeds, or anything purchased for the Garden always need a
" separate note, or bill." I shall answer
Hooker that what you will send. It is due to
you, & not to me — You furnish me with
species.
[illegible]. & I will have the money paid to Dell—
where it will be very convenient for me to draw on
for petty bills.

The package I have not yet got back, I
wish Hooker had sent it directly ~~to me~~ back to
me — as I need it.

I have at length got books & pamphlets all
arranged — & now have to finish distributing a
great lot of specimens into families. & then I
set direct at work on Pl. Wrightianae — &c. &
go to printing. I have got a good figure of Greggia

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and of Mislizenia made by Sprague. & have others in progress.

Riehl was here. I was glad to see him, & put him in the way of seeing what he wanted. I think, if he leaves you, he will settle in our region.

Pray tell him the day he called the 2^{d} time, that I was unexpectedly called away by a sudden visit from my brother from New York State — & that I forgot at the moment to leave an explanatory note for him. He is a good fellow.

Torrey writes me that Graham is recalled & Emory gone on to Boundary — and a world of fuss & trouble they have — So you will be left to do what you think proper with the Cacteæ — &

No news of lost parcel of Wright's plants yet. — they contain the original nos. to the memoranda.

No Prodromus since 13. part 2: yet. But part 1. is by this time printed off, no doubt — (Solaneæ & Plantag.

Bentham will send me names of all the Fendl. Chagres plants he names as he lays them in his herbm. — Hooker's full set is distributed into his herbm along with the huge masses of other unnamed things — Bentham is the only man we can rely on for naming such things.

Beautiful weather here. I long to get settled down to work — time passes — & little done that tells for any thing. Wife send best regards —

Yours ever

A. Gray

Copied Nov 2

Monday Evening. 21st Oct. 1851

My Dear Engelmann.

I have been into Boston — found the
Draft — which I take to a notary, to have
protested in the regular way, to satisfy the holders
(Johnson, Sewall &Co) — & (I assume the fees — so
that no one will be at any expense) — & I have
paid to Johnson Sewall &Co — to the credit of
Theodore Kimm, eighty-nine $\frac{31}{100}$ Dollars, — for which
I hold their receipt.

In case there is any mistake about the
$170 Draft, please let me know. — also, if
you can make out what Brisner actually
had.

I remain
Yours very truly
A. Gray

Dr. George Engelmann
St. Louis
Missouri

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MISSOURI
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Rec.d Nov 24th
Ans Dec 13th

Cambridge, 15 November, 1851.

Cambridge [illegible]

My Dear Dr. Engelmann.

Excuse my stupidity. I am very sorry to have given you so much trouble and annoyance.

I took it for granted, without looking, that my statement remitted to you comprised all the cash I had received ~~from~~ for you while I was away. I remembered you had drawn 100 dollars. I found on Cunningham's account 170 more. and did not go back. as I should have done to see that the sum was for cash received long before.

To repair this I have now paid to Johnson Sewall & Co. one hundred & seventy $\frac{80}{100}$ dollars — and send you the receipt; so that is square at length.

As to Boissier. I have no doubt that what I said must have referred to his set of Pl. Fendl. N. Mex — which Haward did not get for a long time from B, as he told me. I doubt if there is any other item — as we cannot find any set of Pl. Lindh. gone to him, and I always made a memo. of all that Haward paid me — at the time. But I may learn from Haward — and if there is any thing more, I will pay over. I will try to keep all straight hereafter. And if Heward sent a set of Pl. Lindh. to Boissier — he will know the amount received, at any rate, and that I will pay over to you. I write a line to Heward to that effect, to go by next English post. —

As to Lindheimer's live plants — nobody knew here who they came from — no advices were sent. But late in the season, Mr. Sprague says some boxes came — nobody knew where from — & on opening it was evident that they had been very long on the way — most things dead or decayed. He thought they came from Wright. The Gardener says only Cactae — great *Opuntias* were alive — & they still are — Not even the stem of a *Yucca* was kept. Bad business — No use — with our extremely minute sum to keep the Garden on — to think of trying to get live plants from Texas — For seeds we owe for those sent last spring. Let me know how much. —

P.S. I inclose also the former receipt of Johnson Sewall & Co for $89.31 — to show Kuhn that all is *paid*.

At length I have your letter sent to Kew — with the parcel of plants — also — Hooker sent both together in a package — which came 2 weeks ago. or less.

The flower went to eke out the poor Wright specimens Sprague was figuring from.

Now I propose we shall call this — (your Diplesanda —, I had characterized it, but not given a name, as it was not distributed under a number in Pl. Wright. being so little of it) — I propose, I say ~~to call this~~ that you & I together shall call this Fendlera. It is a very distinct genus & will stand — comes from the country Fendler worked in — tho. from farther south — and there is no good new genus left in his N. Mex. collection. — & what you propose from Wislizenus's coll. as Bentham shows me is not a good genus. since the style in Maurandia Barclayana — is nearly or quite persistent. tho. not so thickened. — that will only stand as a section of Maurandia.

Generally I share in Bentham's dislike at having to quote two names after a genus or species — But there is some propriety in our both joining to dedicate a genus to Fendler — If, however, you do not approve — I will adopt your name Diplesanda — and cite you — ..

As to account of seeds & plants sent to Stroker last spring, I did not write you that I thought — but that Stroker — on my handing him the account said he thought part of it had already been paid. & he promised to see & show me. I knew, of course — that he was mistaken, & tried to hint to him so — & I tried afterward to direct his attention to the point, but did not succeed — He is very forgetful — But now that he has received the package that Cunningham kept back so long, he sees that there is considerable due — as his letter to me showed — & thought he owed it to me — and asked a statement, that he might pay. I wrote him that he owed you & that you would send a statement. So I would, without hesitation.

Emory went by San Antonio. You had better give a brief account of Cacta of Pl. Wrightianae — without delay, — for hereafter, when the materials of the diff^t. collectors on boundary are got together, you will have further & better accounts to give, from live materials.

Wife's health is pretty good yet — thank you — but she has overworked & is in danger of falling back, unless more careful. I am in capital health — working at Pl. Wrightianae — (1st portions gone to the printer) & at Expl. Exped. — which I am anxious to get ahead with.

Agassiz went off yesterday to Charleston, S. Carolina

Yours ever. A Gray

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Recd Nov 28

Linum Mexicanum — which I have from Coulter. no. 759 — is not at all your L. Greggii.

I send herewith a pretty species — I dare say new — which is in Seemann's coll. I doubt whether we are quite at liberty to publish it — as S. had applied to the Admiralty for aid to publish all the collections made in his voyage —

= Lin. Cruciata Planch

A. G.

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N. B. What you say about the variable size of seeds & pods of Portulaca pilosa, goes to cast equal doubt upon any characters of the same kind between Portulaca oleracea, European & Americana –

Your Talinum aurantiacum β? angustissimum is a mere variety. In one of Wright's specimens the peduncle below the joint is long enough, in all the earlier flowers. It is in the later flowers that it becomes short or almost wanting.

I have undoubted T. aurantiacum from Coulter's Mexican collection, Zimapan, &c which accords with your T. linearifolium & ~~both~~ some Texan aurantiacum is subtriflorous.

T. spathulatum – has "yellow" flowers, & is a good species, if not, as I think likely = T. reflexum, Cav. *

Your Abutilon "candidum" = my A. hypoleucum, ms. & in the Book.

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* I have just compared with the figure in Cav. Ic. & in Bot. Mag. & doubt not it is T. reflexum. Cav. does not say Hab. Amer. Austr. but "Amer. Calidiore". & it has never been identified yet with any S. American wild plant. It has gone

to the printer with your name — But I think of giving barvilles in the proofs

A. G.

Recd Jan 4th
Ans Jan 11th

1852

Monday. 21 Dec.

Dear Engelmann

I will answer your last favor with details soon. Wright is here & we are distributing the rest of his N. Mex. collections. — hard at work —

I would say that I think you may properly publish ~~Ema~~ Wright's 1852 Cactae — with the 1851 coll. — all with brief characters, to secure them. — & tell Emory that will not replace the necessity, nor stand in the way of your doing them up in extenso — with figures, &c — in his great future report.

Torrey will freely furnish any material he may have.

In haste
Yours ever

A Gray